

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Various claims are being amended as shown above. No new matter is being added by the amendment to the claims.

In the office action, claims 24-42 and 47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the claimed invention is allegedly directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

In response to the rejection, claims 24 and 47 are being amended to overcome the rejection, by reciting a hardware structure that meets a statutory category under 35 USC 101. For example, claim 24 is being amended to recite an apparatus comprising a device including a routing cache, a route profiler, and a route selection algorithm with features as recited in claim 24. Accordingly, claims 24-42 and 47 are each patentable over 35 U.S.C. §101.

For the above reasons, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §101.

Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all pending claims.

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If the Examiner has any questions or needs any additional information, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (805)681-5078.

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